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REMARKS

Claims 49-87 are currently pending in the instant application. A Reply was submitted on November 6, 2003, replacing claims 1-49 with new claims 49-87. The current supplemental amendments correct the claim dependencies of new claims 49-87, and several minor grammatical errors.


The claim dependencies have been amended to relate to current claims 49-87, rather than cancelled claims 1-48. The newly amended claim dependencies directly correlate to the old dependencies with the following exceptions:

- i. claim 51, originally was dependent on claims 1 and 2 (now 49 and 50), has been amended to be dependent on claim 49 only;
- ii. claim 54 has been amended to be dependent on claims 52 or 53;
- iii. claim 64, originally dependent on claim 15 (now claim 63), has been amended to be dependent on claim 58;
- iv. claims 69, originally dependent on claim 20 (now claim 68), has been amended to be dependent on claims 67 or 68;
- v. claim 70, originally dependent on claim 20 (now claim 68), has been amended to be dependent on claims 67.

No new matter has been added through these amendments.

Entry of the supplemental amendment and reconsideration of the present application in view of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

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